IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): A packet switching network comprising: a plurality of subscriber stations;

at least one switch configured to connect said plurality of subscriber stations to each other;

wherein each output port from each switch on the network satisfies the following relation:

<u>\(\sum_{\text{i}}\) number of virtual links passing through the buffer</u>

$$\left[1+\operatorname{int}\left(\frac{(\textit{Jitter In})_i+\max \textit{Latency}}{\textit{BAGi}}\right)\right]^* \qquad \qquad (\textit{max frame duration}) \leq \textit{latency}$$

in which:

the max latency value is a maximum residence time in an output buffer of [[a]] the at least one switch, this value may be different for each switch in the network,

BAGi is a minimum time between two consecutive frames belonging to a virtual link i, before they are transmitted,

(Jitter In)i (Jitter In)i is a Jitter associated with [[a]] the virtual link i that represents a time interval between a theoretical instant at which a frame is transmitted, and its effective transmission that may be before or after the theoretical instant, and

(max frame duration) [[i]] is a duration of a longest frame on the virtual link i.

Claim 2 (Original): A network according to claim 1, wherein the packet switching network is located on an aircraft.

Claim 3 (Original): A network according to claim 2, wherein the at least one switch includes a first switch connected to a first graphic screen and a second graphic screen.

Claim 4 (Original): A network according to claim 3, wherein the at least one switch includes a second switch connected to a flight parameters generator and an aircraft maintenance computer.

Claim 5 (Original): A network process according to claim 4, wherein the first graphic screen displays flight parameters and the second graphic screen displays flight and maintenance parameters.

Claim 6 (Currently Amended): A packet switching network comprising: a plurality of subscriber stations;

at least one means for switching for connecting said plurality of subscriber stations to each other;

wherein each output port from each means for switching on the network satisfies the following relation:

i number of virtual links
passing through the buffer
$$\frac{[1 + int] \left(\frac{(Jitter \ In)_i i + max \ Latency}{BAGi} \right)]^*}{(max \ frame \ duration) ≤ latency}}$$

$$\left[1+\operatorname{int}\left(\frac{(\textit{Jitter In})_i+\max \textit{Latency}}{\textit{BAGi}}\right)\right]^* \qquad \qquad (\textit{max frame duration}) \leq \textit{latency}$$

in which:

the max latency value is a maximum residence time in an output buffer of [[a]] the at least one switch, this value may be different for each switch in the network,

BAGi is the minimum time between two consecutive frames belonging to a virtual link i, before they are transmitted,

(Jitter In)i (Jitter In)i is Jitter associated with [[a]] the virtual link i that represents a time interval between a theoretical instant at which a frame is transmitted, and its effective transmission that may be before or after the theoretical instant,

(max frame duration) [[i]] is a duration of a longest frame on the virtual link i.

Claim 7 (Original): A network according to claim 6, wherein the packet switching network is located on an aircraft.

Claim 8 (Original): A network according to claim 7,wherein the at least one means for switching includes a first means for switching connected to a first graphic screen and a second graphic screen.

Claim 9 (Original): A network according to claim 8, wherein the at least one means for switching includes second means for switching connected to a flight parameters generator and an aircraft maintenance computer.

Claim 10 (Original): A network according to claim 9, wherein the first graphic screen displays flight parameters and the second graphic screen displays flight and maintenance parameters.